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Dear Mr. Freudenthal:

Re: FOI Case Nos. 50120, 50121, 50122, 50123, 50124, 50125 and 50136

This acknowledges your January 24, 2018 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests emailed to the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) FOIA Office, which was received in this office that same day. In two separate emails you requested the following:

- "1 Contracts and the latest report for the following projects:
- 1R13Al104216-01 (http://grantome.com/grant/NIH/R13-Al104216-01);
- 1U19AI115589-01 (http://grantome.com/grant/NIH/U19-AI115589-01);
- 5U19AI115589-02 (http://grantome.com/grant/NIH/U19-AI115589-02)
- 2 Any list of people receiving payment as part of these projects. If such a list does not exist, then I'd like all of the contracts with people paid under these projects.
- 3 Any/all agreements (such as contracts, Memorandum of Understanding, Terms of Reference, Material Transfer Agreements etc) of NIAID with the Kenema hospital from 01/01/2013 to 01/01/2017.
- 4 Any/all agreements (such as contracts, Memorandum of Understanding, Terms of Reference, Material Transfer Agreements etc) of Tulane University with the Kenema hospital 01/01/2013 to 01/01/2017.
- 5 Any/all reports or evaluation of the effectiveness/reliability of Ebola tests/assays by members of the Viral Hemorrhagic Fever Consortium (i.e. Autoimmune Technologies, Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard University, Corgenix, The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston (UTMB), The Scripps Research Institute, the University of California at San Diego, the Irrua Specialist Teaching Hospital Lassa Fever Program, and the Kenema Government Hospital).

PS: please include the following to the list of contracts in #1 above

- 1U01AI082119-03 (http://grantome.com/grant/NIH/U01-AI082119-01
- HHSN272200900049C

And add:

6 - The Institutional Review Board approvals related to Ebola sample collection or data collect from 01/01/2014 with either Robert F. Garry or John Schieffelin as Principal Investigators"

We have broken down your requests into seven separate requests and assigned them the following FOIA Case Numbers:

FOIA Case No. 50120 - Contracts and the latest report for the following projects:

- 1R13Al104216-01 (http://grantome.com/grant/NIH/R13-Al104216-01);
- 2 Any list of people receiving payment as part of these projects. If such a list does not exist, then I'd like all of the contracts with people paid under these projects.

FOIA Case No. 50121 - Contracts and the latest report for the following projects: 1U19Al115589-01 (which will include 5U19Al115589-02) (http://grantome.com/grant/NIH/U19-Al115589-01);

2 - Any list of people receiving payment as part of these projects. If such a list does not exist, then I'd like all of the contracts with people paid under these projects.

FOIA Case No. 50122 - Contracts and the latest report for the following projects - 1U01AI082119-03 (http://grantome.com/grant/NIH/U01-AI082119-01

2 - Any list of people receiving payment as part of these projects. If such a list does not exist, then I'd like all of the contracts with people paid under these projects.

FOIA Case No. 50123 - please include the following to the list of contracts in #1 above HHSN272200900049C

FOIA Case No. 50124 - Any/all agreements (such as contracts, Memorandum of Understanding, Terms of Reference, Material Transfer Agreements etc) of NIAID with the Kenema hospital from 01/01/2013 to 01/01/2017. Any/all agreements (such as contracts, Memorandum of Understanding, Terms of Reference, Material Transfer Agreements etc.) of Tulane University with the Kenema hospital 01/01/2013 to 01/01/2017.

FOIA Case No. 50125 - Any/all reports or evaluation of the effectiveness/reliability of Ebola tests/assays by members of the Viral Hemorrhagic Fever Consortium (i.e. Autoimmune Technologies, Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard University, Corgenix, The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston (UTMB), The Scripps Research Institute, the University of California at San Diego, the Irrua Specialist Teaching Hospital Lassa Fever Program, and the Kenema Government Hospital).

FOIA Case No. 50136 - The Institutional Review Board approvals related to Ebola sample collection or data collect from 01/01/2014 with either Robert F. Garry or John Schieffelin as Principal Investigators

We will send you all material consistent with the exemptions recognized by the FOIA. It is Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) policy to expunge social security numbers, birth dates, percentage of effort, institutional base salary, pending support, and any patentable material wherever they appear throughout the grant material. If you feel that this information should not be excluded from the material, please advise me and I will consult with the NIH Freedom of Information Officer.

We are asking the grantee to advise this office if release of the material you requested will adversely affect any patent rights or reveal other confidential commercial or financial information. Subsequent to receipt of such advice this office will make a decision regarding releasability. We will do everything possible to comply with your request in a timely manner. Please feel free to contact me at foia@niaid.nih.gov or on 301-451-5109 for additional information or to inquire about the status of your request.

Provisions of the FOIA allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. We shall charge you for records in accordance with the HHS FOIA Regulations as they apply to news media requesters; i.e., you will be charged for duplication at 10-cents per page although the first 100 pages are free; there is no charge for search or review time. If there are any fees associated with processing this request, you will be sent an invoice with our final response.

At any time during the processing of your request, you may seek assistance from the NIAID FOIA Public Liaison:

NIAID FOIA Public Liaison

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Sincerely,

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